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New WACs | July 14

You may remember that new rules were officially adopted June 13. The rules were effective July 14. To review, here is a [summary](#) of the changes. Some of the [new WACs](#) are applicable to the Primary.

Got Write-In Voting Questions?

If your ballot contains a single-candidate race, then you're managing write-in votes. Find answers to these frequently-asked questions [here](#).

- How do I document a write-in mark when the target area is filled in for the write-in position, but the write-in line (space) is blank?
- How do I handle write-in marks for fictitious characters?
- If an undeclared write-in candidate becomes one of the top two vote-getters, must the name appear on the General Election ballot? How does the name and party preference appear?

Remember, the Secretary of State cannot group name variations, tally write-in votes, or certify write-in candidates for your county. Here's an example [report](#) that groups name variations for the Canvassing Board's consideration.

KCE Tabulation System Replacement Project

King and Pierce Counties are partnering on an Request for Proposal (RFP) for the replacement of their tabulation systems. The RFP is to be published July 21st and vendor responses are due September 20th. Earlier in the year the two counties issued a joint Request for Information (RFI) and received five responses. They anticipate the same five vendors (Clear Ballot, Dominion, ES&S, Everyone Counts, and Hart) to respond to the RFP.

Other counties may be able to piggy back on the contracts that come out of this process. If you're interested, contact Sonja Rowland at sonja.rowland@kingcounty.gov

King County | New Ballot Deposit Sites

Kudos to King County for nearly tripling their ballot drop box locations for the Primary! An additional 19 drop boxes were installed throughout the county. They hope to have a total 43 boxes available for the General Election. Check out their new box design!



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